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TO : Chief, Language and Area School

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FROM

Deputy Chief, Plans, Research and Administration

subject:

Weekly Activities Report

A. SIGNIFICANT ITEMS

None to report.

B. OTHER ACTIVITIES

- 1. Plans for the move of the LAS Area and Planning Staffs to Quarters Eye are well in hand. These plans contemplate a more efficient room arrangement, including a combined language and area library, a seminar room and one additional large lecture room as well as the necessary offices and small course rooms.
 - 2. With the assistance of LAS is undertaking an expanded program of film previewing in order to discover and obtain these commercial and other films most suitable and effective for language and area training. Viewed yesterday was the world famous Pather Panchali, an Indian feature film of village life on the Indian Sub-continent. The film will not only be good for area training but its Bengali sound track makes it most useful for language training.
 - 3. Fifteen people reported for Proficiency tests last week in Italian, Polish and Japanese.
 - 4. Forty Certifications for Language Award certificates were sent to the Registrar last week.

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5. During the past week the following books were received by the LAS/TR Library in 2129 "I" Building: City Life in Japan Dore, R. P. Flood Tide in China 3 copies Fitzgerald, C. P. Iraq, its people, its society, Harris, George Lawrence its culture Egypt in transition Lacouture, Jean & Simeon The Middle East in transition; Laquer, Walter Z., ed. studies in contemporary history U. S. Mutual Security Mission to China Economic progress of Free China, 1951-1958 1 copy

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